Spaceward Bound Idaho 2011 Teacher Expectations

The following list details the expectations for teachers attending the SB Idaho expedition. The information and insight that you provide via these expectations is critical to NASA Education and to the Spaceward Bound program. The prospect of continuing the program and acquiring funding (especially in these hard times) is very dependent on information about the impact that Spaceward Bound has on you as a teacher. We celebrate the positive feedback you give us and we work hard to improve the program based on suggestions and comments about what we can do better.

Once you have participated in a Spaceward Bound (SB) expedition, you become a SB Alumni - along with over 200 other teachers throughout the U.S. as well as Canada, Australia, Chile, and Namibia. We hope that you will become an active SB Alumni and join us on future expeditions as an SB Mentor.

- 1. At the end of the expedition, write a one- to two-page reflection on your SB experience. Please include (but do not limit yourself to) the following:
 - How the expedition has impacted you personally
 - How you anticipate the expedition will effect your teaching
 - What ideas do you have about how to leverage the expedition experience in your classroom?
 - What comments and/or suggestions do you have about the expedition?
 - What advice would you give the next participants in a Spaceward Bound expedition?

We realize that at the very end of the expedition, you may not have had enough time to reflect on the answers to these questions. We ask that you please provide your reflections to Liza Coe (liza.coe@nasa.gov) within two weeks after the expedition. After that time, it is difficult to recall and record your impressions of the expedition.

- 2. If you utilize social media, please join the following sites/groups to keep abreast of SB news, events and opportunities and to share your own activities and ideas:
 - Spaceward Bound Google Group
 - Spaceward Bound Facebook Group
 - Spaceward Bound on Twitter
 - Spaceward Bound on NASA NEON
- 3. Last, but definitely not least, the primary goal of Spaceward Bound is to help you to leverage the expedition and the concept of planetary analogs in your classroom. Please share with us (via social media or email) how you incorporate your SB experience into your classroom. You don't need to write a book! Just email a paragraph or two about what you did, and some photos if you have them. We will post these great stories on the SB website so that your creativity and teacher know-how can be shared with your fellow Alumni! We love to hear what you are doing in your classroom!